



**EXCHANGE PROGRAMME
STUDENT MOBILITY
Application Information 2013/2014
Faculty of Bioscience Engineering
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EXCHANGE PROGRAMME STUDENT MOBILITY

Dear student

The Faculty of Bioscience Engineering, KU Leuven welcomes you as an exchange student next academic year! A study period abroad needs a lot of preparation. With this leaflet we would like to provide you with the necessary information for an easy application.

If you need additional information, don't hesitate to contact us!

See you soon in Leuven!

Matt & Kristel & Katrien



APPLICATION DEADLINES

The application deadlines:

14 April 2013 for autumn semester or whole academic year

1 October 2013 for spring semester

ACADEMIC CALENDER 2013/2014

Friday 16 August 2013	Start of the registration period for acad. year 2013-2014
During the week of Monday 16 September 2013	Orientation Days for International Students
Monday 23 September 2013	Opening ceremony of the academic year 2013-2014
Tuesday 24 September 2013	Start of classes in the first semester of 2013-2014
Friday 20 December 2013	End of classes in the first semester
Monday 23 December 2013 till Sunday 5 January 2014	Christmas and New Year holidays
Monday 06 January 2014 – Sunday 12 January 2014	Exam preparation. No classes
Monday 13 January 2014 – Saturday 01 February 2014	First semester exams
Monday 03 February 2014	Patron's Feast Day – university offices will be closed!
Monday 03 February 2014 – Sunday 09 February 2014	Mid-year break. No classes
Wed. 5 February 2014 till Saturday 08 February 2014	Orientation Days for International Students
Monday 10 February	Start of classes in the second semester
Monday 07 April 2014 – Monday 21 April 2014	Easter holidays
Saturday 24 May 2014	End of classes in the second semester
Monday 26 May 2014 – Monday 09 June	Exam preparation. No classes
Tuesday 10 June 2014 – Saturday 5 July 2014	Second semester exams
Monday 18 August 2014	Start of the registration period for 2014-2015
Monday 18 August 2014 – Saturday 13 Sept. 2014	Examination retakes for failed students 2013-2014

APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

#application #learningagreement # transcript

To submit an application you should return:

1. The online Application Form
(<http://www.kuleuven.be/admissions/exchange/application.html>)
2. The Learning Agreement with:
The list of courses you would like to follow at KU Leuven,
and/or
if you apply for an Erasmus Dissertation, the title of the research project and the name of a promoter of the Faculty of Bioscience Engineering and his/her written confirmation that he/she accepts you for an Erasmus Dissertation. For this option students should have obtained a bachelor degree at the home university!
3. A Transcript of your Academic Records

These documents are required to obtain the "Letter of Admission" of the KU Leuven.

You will find the necessary documents and comprehensive information on our Erasmus website: <http://www.biw.kuleuven.be/english/FutureStudents/>

After the application procedure is completed, we will send you the permission to register.

COURSES

The Faculty of Bioscience Engineering, KU Leuven offers fourteen Master Programmes of which six are taught in English.

These programmes are:

- Master of Bio-informatics
- Master of Earth Observation (interuniversity cooperation)
- Master of Food Technology (interuniversity cooperation)
- Master of Molecular Biology (interuniversity cooperation)
- Master of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology
- Master of Tropical Natural Resources Management
- Master of Water Resources Engineering (interuniversity cooperation)

As an incoming Erasmus student you may choose courses of these programmes if the course is included in the list mentioned above. You are also allowed to follow courses taught in English from other programmes at the faculty, provided that these courses are available for exchange students.

#dutch #english #toefl

Students from the Netherlands and Germany are allowed to follow all courses taught in Dutch. For those students who prefer taking courses lectured in English at the Faculty of Bioscience Engineering, a list of courses is available on the above mentioned Erasmus website. In addition to the courses you will follow at our faculty, you are allowed to follow one or two courses at another KU Leuven faculty.

Although no formal proof of language competence is currently required, it is crucial that students taking courses in English have a proficient knowledge of both written and spoken English! For applicants from countries where English is not the language of instruction, this level corresponds to a score of at least 550 on a TOEFL-test (or a score of at least 213 on a computer TOEFL test) or a score of at least 6.0 on the IELTS-test.

ERASMUS DISSERTATION

#research #project

Erasmus students, who already have obtained a bachelor degree or equivalent, have the possibility to do an Erasmus Dissertation (20 ECTS credits). The aim of the Dissertation is to analyse a scientific topic or to solve a scientific problem, with emphasis on experimental work. The results of this study are compiled in a written report (thesis) and presented for a commission at the KU Leuven. More information can be found on:

<http://www.biw.kuleuven.be/english/FutureStudents/possibilities.aspx#dissertation>

RESEARCH FOR MSc THESIS

#research #thesis

Students also have the possibility to perform research at our university as part of their Master thesis at the home university (15 ECTS).

More information can be found on:

<http://www.biw.kuleuven.be/english/FutureStudents/possibilities.aspx#research>

PLACEMENTS

More information on Erasmus Placements can be found on:

<http://www.biw.kuleuven.be/english/FutureStudents/possibilities.aspx#placements>



PRACTICALITIES

WHAT TO BRING

#important #checklist

- identity card or passport
- the European health insurance card
- proof that you are registered as a student at the home university
- the Letter of Admission

UPON ARRIVAL

Please check <http://www.biw.kuleuven.be/english/FutureStudents/arrival.aspx>

ACCOMMODATION

We advise all exchange students to arrive in due time before the start of their courses in order to arrange their housing. Students studying in Leuven during the first semester or full academic year are recommended to arrive at least two or three weeks in advance or to visit Leuven some time in August and book a room then. The week before the start of the academic year is the most difficult time to find both temporary and permanent accommodation.

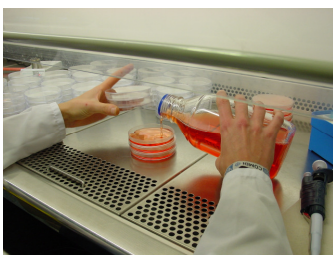
Before coming to Leuven

All exchange students should notify the International Housing Service by filling out the web form at: <http://www.kuleuven.be/accommodation/student/exchange.htm>.

Don't forget to arrange for guesthousing, so you have a place to stay the first few days after your arrival.

Upon arrival in Leuven

Please go straight to the International Housing Service at Naamsestraat 80. The staff will provide you with information about available guestrooms (prices between 15 and 25 euro per night) and will assist you in finding permanent accommodation. Exchange students will not be housed in university residences. Those staying for the full academic year may consult our online database of private student rooms and apartments called KOTWIJS. Those staying for one semester only will be handed a list of rooms to be sublet by Belgian students who have gone to study abroad for a semester. The list of exchange rooms for the first semester is available from the beginning of August onwards, for the second semester from the beginning of December. The rent of an average student room with shared kitchen and bathroom ranges from € 230,00 to € 250,00 monthly. Rooms are fully furnished but bedding is not provided.



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